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FOR: SCANNING IMAGE FORMATION OPTICAL SYSTEM, OPTICAL SCANNER USING THE OPTICAL SYSTEM, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING THE OPTICAL SCANNER

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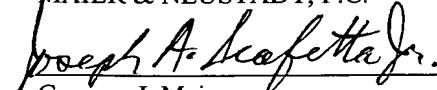
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